

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

inputting an alphabet letter in an editing mode via a keypad;

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters; and

selecting one of the European alphabet letters using a numeral key on the keypad.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising checking whether the editing mode has been selected.

3. The method of claim 2, further comprising storing a set of European alphabet letter in a memory.

4. The method of claim 3, wherein the European alphabet letter set includes a plurality of European alphabet letters divided into a Capital letter group and a small letter group.

5. The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying a mode conversion key and a save key in the editing mode.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein the displayed European alphabet letters appear in a pop-up window.

7. The method of claim 6, further comprising displaying a mode conversion key and a cancel key in the editing mode when the pop-up window is displayed.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein the pop-up window disappears when either the mode conversion key or the cancel key is pressed.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters, comprises:

judging whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

10. A method of selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

inputting an alphabet letter;

determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

displaying European alphabet letters on an additional screen if it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated; and

selecting one of the displayed European alphabet letters.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein activation of the mode conversion key activates an editing mode.

12. The method of claim 11, further comprising displaying the mode conversion key and a save key in the editing mode.

13. The method of claim 10, further comprising displaying the European alphabet letters in a pop-up window.

14. The method of claim 13, further comprising displaying the mode conversion key and a cancel key when the pop-up window is displayed.

15. The method of claim 13, wherein the pop-up window disappears when either mode conversion key or the cancel key is activated.

16. The method of claim 10, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with the European alphabet letters.

17. The method of claim 10, wherein the displayed European alphabet letters are selected using numeral keys on a keypad, respectively.

18. The method of claim 10, wherein the step of displaying the European alphabet letters comprises:

judging whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

23. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

means for inputting an alphabet letter;

means for displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters; and

means for selecting one of the European alphabet letters.

24. The apparatus of claim 23, further comprises:

means for determining whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

means for displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

25. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

means for inputting an alphabet letter;

means for determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

means for displaying European alphabet letters on an additional screen if it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated; and

means for selecting one of the displayed European alphabet letters.

19. A method of selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

storing a set of European alphabet letters in a memory;  
inputting an alphabet letter to be converted to a European alphabet letter;  
determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;  
displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter on a pop-up window when it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated, wherein the European alphabet letters are read from the memory; and  
selecting a desired one of the displayed European alphabet letters.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein the displayed European alphabet letters are divided into a Capital letter group and a small letter group and stored.

21. The method of claim 19, wherein the step of displaying a plurality of the European alphabet letters comprises:

judging whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter;  
reading input-available European alphabet letters from the memory if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into the European alphabet letter, wherein the European alphabet letters correspond to the inputted alphabet letter; and  
displaying the European alphabet letters read from the memory on the pop-up window and associating a series of numbers with the European alphabet letters, respectively.

22. The method of claim 19, wherein the displayed European alphabet letters are selected using numeral keys on a keypad, respectively.

means for reading European alphabet letters from the storing means if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into the European alphabet letter, wherein the European alphabet letters correspond to the inputted alphabet letter; and

means for displaying the European alphabet letters read from the storing means on the pop-up window and associating a series of numbers with the European alphabet letters, respectively.

29. A computer-readable medium having stored a sequence of instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform the steps of:

determining whether an alphabet letter has been input in an editing mode;

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters; and

determining whether one of the European alphabet letters has been selected using a numeral key on the keypad.

30. The computer-readable medium of claim 29, wherein the step of displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters, comprises:

determining whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

26. The apparatus of claim 25, further comprising:

means for determining whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

means for displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

27. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal,

comprising:

means for storing a set of European alphabet letters;

means for inputting an alphabet letter to be converted to a European alphabet letter;

means for determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

means for displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter on a pop-up window when it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated, wherein the European alphabet letters are read from the memory; and

means for selecting a desired one of the displayed European alphabet letters.

28. The apparatus of claim 27, further comprising:

means for determining whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter;

31. A computer-readable medium having stored a sequence of instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform the steps of:

determining whether an alphabet letter has been inputted;

determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

displaying European alphabet letters on an additional screen if it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated; and

determining whether one of the displayed European alphabet letters has been selected.

32. The computer-readable medium of claim 31, wherein the step of displaying the European alphabet letters comprises:

determining whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter; and

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

33. A computer-readable medium having stored a sequence of instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform the steps of:

storing a set of European alphabet letters in a memory;

determining whether an alphabet letter to be converted to a European alphabet letter has been inputted;

determining whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter on a pop-up window when it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated, wherein the European alphabet letters are read from the memory; and

determining whether a desired one of the displayed European alphabet letters has been selected.

34. The computer-readable of claim 33, wherein the step of displaying a plurality of the European alphabet letters comprises:

judging whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter;

reading input-available European alphabet letters from the memory if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into the European alphabet letter, wherein the European alphabet letters correspond to the inputted alphabet letter; and

displaying the European alphabet letters read from the memory on the pop-up window and associating a series of numbers with the European alphabet letters, respectively.

35. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

a key input unit configured to allow input of an alphabet letter by a user;

a display configured to display a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters and a user may select a desired European alphabet letter by

pressing a key on the key input unit designating the number respectively associated with the desired European alphabet letter.

36. The apparatus of claim 23, further comprising:

a controller configured to determine whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter, wherein the plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter are displayed only if the inputted alphabet is changeable into a European alphabet letter

37. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

a key input unit configured to allow input of an alphabet letter by a user;

a controller that determines whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

a display configured to display European alphabet letters on an additional screen if the controller determines that the mode conversion key has been activated, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters and a user may select a desired European alphabet letter by pressing a key on the key input unit designating the number respectively associated with the desired European alphabet letter.

38. The apparatus of claim 25, wherein the controller determines whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter, and a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter are displayed on the display if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter.

39. Apparatus for selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal, comprising:

a memory configured to store a set of European alphabet letters;

a key input unit configured to allow input of an alphabet letter to be converted to a European alphabet letter;

a controller configured to determine whether a mode conversion key has been activated;

a display configured to display a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the inputted alphabet letter on a pop-up window when the controller determines that the mode conversion key has been activated, wherein the European alphabet letters are read from the memory and wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters and a user may select a desired European alphabet letter by pressing a key on the key input unit designating the number respectively associated with the desired European alphabet letter.

40. The apparatus of claim 39, wherein the controller determines whether the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into a European alphabet letter and reads European alphabet letters from the memory if the inputted alphabet letter is changeable into the European alphabet letter, wherein the European alphabet letters correspond to the inputted alphabet letter, and wherein the European alphabet letters read from the memory are displayed on the pop-up window associated with the series of numbers, respectively.